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ORLANDO BOSCH Y AVILA
BARBARO BALAN Y GARCIA
NEUTRALITY MATTERS - CUBA
MUNITIONS CONTROL ACT

Reference is made to your communication dated September 22, 1967, in which you requested advice as to whether Arthur Andrew Girteit of Miami, Florida, had furnished any statements to this Bureau.

Attached for your information is a copy of Form FD-302 dated March 29, 1967, setting forth information furnished by Girteit. This information can be furnished to the defense counsel if this becomes necessary. If the information is furnished, it is recommended that the file number appearing on the lower right-hand corner be excised.

For your additional information, on February 1, 1967, Wallace Shanley, Assistant U.S. Customs Agent in Charge, Miami, Florida, advised that Girteit was a Customs source but that Girteit was interested in being a full-time paid informant for the U.S. Government. Shanley introduced Girteit to Special Agent (SA) Robert J. Dwyer of our Miami Office. Girteit briefly mentioned general information concerning his past activities and offered to cooperate with the FBI as a salaried informant.

On February 28, 1967, Girteit contacted SA Dwyer and furnished additional general information concerning his past activities and offered to work as an informant on a salaried basis. On March 29, 1967, Girteit contacted SA Dwyer for the express purpose of offering to serve as an informant for a fixed salary.

Girteit was told that the FBI would accept any information he furnished, but would not pay him for it. He was not encouraged to recontact our Miami Office.

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This Bureau interposes no objection to the information concerning the contacts between Girteit and SA Dwyer being furnished the defense counsel if this becomes necessary.

For your confidential information, Mr. Shanley and a source who has furnished reliable information in the past have previously advised that they did not trust Girteit and indicated that he was dishonest and unreliable.

Enclosure

NOTE:

Subjects, Cuban exiles, are currently under indictment in Customs case charged with attempting to export arms in violation of statutes over which Customs has primary jurisdiction.

The U.S. Attorney intends to use Girteit as Government witness. The Internal Security Division anticipates demands will be made by defendants for production of any pretrial statements furnished by Girteit to Government. Accordingly, Internal Security Division requested advice as to whether Girteit had furnished any statements to the Bureau either orally or in writing, if so, it requested it be furnished copies of any such statements together with our views as to whether they could be furnished to defense counsel and our recommendations regarding any excisions which should be made prior to furnishing such statements to defense counsel.

The FD-302 sets forth interview of SA Dwyer with Girteit, 3/29/67. Girteit furnished details concerning his meeting with subject Bosch regarding forthcoming bombing mission over Cuba. Bosch discussed the amount of money which would be used to finance the raid, the number of persons who would participate, and the number of bombs to be used. Miami recommended that the file number appearing on the FD-302 be excised.

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